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SUBJ: 1974 MEAT IMPORT PROGRAM; FIRST ESTIMATE FOR 1974

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF USDA RELEASE GIVING SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE'S FIRST ESTIMATE OF US IMPORTS IN 1974 OF MEAT SUBJECT TO THE 1964 MEAT IMPORT LAW.

BEGIN TEXT: WASHINGTON, DEC 28, 1973. SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE EARL L. BUTZ ESTIMATED TODAY THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL IMPORT 1,575 MILLION POUNDS OF FRESH, CHILLED AND FROZEN BEEF, VEAL, MUTTON AND GOAT MEAT IN 1974.

THIS MEAT IS SUBJECT TO THE 1964 MEAT IMPORT LAW. THE ESTIMATED LEVEL OF IMPORTS WOULD REQUIRE IMPOSITION OF QUOTAS IN 1974 BECAUSE IT IS MORE THAN 110 PERCENT OF THE YEAR'S ADJUSTED BASE QUOTA.

HOWEVER, SECRETARY BUTZ ANNOUNCED EARLIER THIS MONTH THAT QUOTAS WOULD BE SUSPENDED BY THE PRESIDENT, AS THEY HAVE BEEN SINCE JUNE 1972, AS PART OF THE EFFORT TO MODERATE INFLATION. THE LAW REQUIRES THE SECRETARY TO MAKE AN ESTIMATE OF THE IMPORTS BEFORE A SUSPENSION ACTION CAN BE TAKEN. THE TRIGGER POINT FOR IMPOSITION OF QUOTAS IS 1,130.7 MILLION POUNDS, BASED ON A 1974 ADJUSTED BASE QUOTA OF 1,027.9 MILLION POUNDS. THE ESTIMATE OF 1974 IMPORTS IS ALSO ABOUT 15 PERCENT HIGHER THAN ESTIMATED IMPORTS THIS YEAR. END TEXT. (TABLE SUMMARIZING US MEAT IMPORTS DURING 1970-73 OMITTED.). KISSINGER

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